लिए सतर्क हैं । किए गए विशेष उपायों में विशिष्ट आसूचना एकत्र करना, पत्तनों और विमानपत्तनों पर रंगीन असबाब एक्स-रे मशीने लगाने और पात्र यात्रियों को इस कि.ग्रा. सोने के आयात की अनुमति देकर सोने के आयातों को और अधिक उदार बनाना शामिल हैं ।

Revenue collected/Budgeted for 1995-96

691. SHRI S. MUTHU MANI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of revenue collected during 1995-96 and the budgeted estimates for the same period; and

(b) if there was any deficit between the revenue collected and the revenue estimated during 1995-96, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) Budget estimates and amount of revenue collected from major Central Taxes during 1995-96 were as under:—

(Rs. in crores)

	Name of the tax	Revised Budget Estimates	Collection
1	Customs	35352	35502
2	Union Excise	41000	40784
3	Corporation tax	16000	16487
4	Income-tax	15100	"15587

(b) Does not arise.

Disparity in Tax Rates among States

692. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the growing disparity in tax rates among States;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to remove this disparity; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) A meeting of the Finance Minister of all States and Union Territories was convened by the Union Finance Minister or 4th July, 1997 to discuss the Report of the Group of Officials and Experts on Taxation of Inter-State Sales and the Report of Committee of State Finance Ministers on Stamp Duty Reforms. There was general consensus on the imperatives of reforming the Central Sales Tax and Stamp Duty and introduction of VAT.

Nationalised Banks involved in CRB Scam

693. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJI-RAO SHINDE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) which nationalised banks have been found to have fallen prey to the CRB Scam;

(b) to what extent, indicating the amount of money swindled from each bank and the mode adopted by CRB and bank management for the purpose; and

(c) what steps have since been taken to recover the money?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) and (b) CRB Capital Markets Ltd. (CRBCML) was granted a facility, by the Mumbai Main Branch of State Bank of India, of encashment at par, of warrants issued by the company in repayment of fixed deposits, interest payable thereon and brokerage warrants at all branches of State Bank of India. The company had agreed, *inter-alia,* to prefund the relative accounts ensuring that the accounts have sufficient balance when the warrants were presented for payment. However, the company fraudulently overdrew the account by an amount of over Rs. 58 crores (provisional). The company has also overdrawn its interest warrant account and brokerage warrant account with the Capital Markets Division, Mumbai Main Office of Bank of Baroda by about Rs. 1.90 crores (provisional). The company also enjoyed credit